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SUBJECT: NON-ALIGNED PREPARATORY MEETING IN NEW DELHI?

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1. THE MEA DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR NON-ALIGNED AFFAIRS TOLD AN EMBOFF FEBRUARY 3 THAT THERE MAY BE A MEETING OF THE COORDINATION BUREAU OF THE NON-ALIGNED NATIONS IN NEW DELHI DURING MARCH OR APRIL. ALGIERS IS ALSO A POSSIBLE SITE. AS EXPLAINED BY THE MEA OFFICIAL, THE GOI IS PREPARED TO HOST A PREPARATORY MEETING IN NEW DELHI, BUT HAS NO STRONG FEELINGS ABOUT VENUE AND IS PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE AT ANOTHER SITE. ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE THE INITIATIVE FOR THE DELHI MEETING CAME FROM A GROUP IN THE COORDINATION BUREAU, NOT FROM THE GOI. WHEN THE MEETING TAKES PLACE THE GOI EXPECTS THE 17 FOREIGN MINISTERS FROM THE COORDINATING BUREAU TO TAKE PART. THE OBJECT OF THE SESSION IS TO PUT THE FINISHING TOUCHES ON THE NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT AGENDA WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN CIRCULATED IN DRAFT.

2. INDIAN FOREIGN SECRETARY KEWAL SINGH FIRST MENTIONED THE LIKELIHOOD OF THE DELHI MEETING OF THE NON-ALIGNED BUREAU FOL-
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LOWING HIS RETURN FROM COLOMBO ON JANUARY 17.

3. COMMENT: WE ARE SURVEYING OUR NON-ALIGNED CONTACTS HERE WITH A VIEW TO OBTAINING MAXIMUM COVERAGE IF THE MEETING SHOULD TAKE PLACE HERE. WE WELCOME ANY GUIDANCE THE DEPARTMENT MAY HAVE TO SHARPEN OUR PROJECTED REPORTING EFFORT.

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